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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Comment Deadlines Established Regarding the LightSquared Technical Working Group Report, IB
Docket No. 11-109

Dear Ms. Dortch:

I am writing to you today on an issue that is of great importance to small business owners and our economy. LightSquared's effort to launch a nationwide broadband wireless network is just the kind of thing that business owners here in Ohio and across the nation need at this crucial time.

As you know, broadband access is a must for business and increased access can mean the difference in some businesses' ability to survive these tough economic times, especially in rural areas where broadband has been slow to develop. We know this to be true because we see the problems in the rural parts of Ohio. Not only will LightSquared's network benefit businesses with increased access to broadband, it will also be beneficial because of the natural competition that will develop.

Our economy is driven by competition. If LightSquared is allowed to move forward, an opportunity will exist for smaller wireless providers to offer service, which will bring needed new competitors into the market. As competitors enter, prices will drop and businesses will benefit. Furthermore, the mere investment LightSquared is planning to make will have an impact on our economy.

I am aware there are issues with possible GPS interference but I understand that LightSquared is exploring every possible means to resolve the issues. Conversely, it seems the GPS industry is not taking any steps to help correct the problem. With all the potential benefits LightSquared's effort promises, I believe the time is now to allow their plan to go forward.

Sincerely,

Lora Miller
Executive Director